



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 1642  
PATENT

Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 5552.0953-04

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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Mathias FIBI et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1642
	)	
Application No.: 08/897,441	)	Examiner: K. Canella
	)	
Filed: July 21, 1997	)	Confirmation No.: 4501
	)	
For: <i>Erythropoietin (EPO) Peptides and</i>	)	<b>Box After Final</b>
<i>Antibodies Directed Against These</i>	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Applicants now reply to the Office Action mailed June 8, 2004, the period for response having been extended to December 8, 2004, by a request for extension of 3 months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper at page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper and begin at page 3.